

IN THE CLAIMS:

Claims 1 through 5. (Cancelled).

6. (Previously Presented) An image fixing apparatus, comprising:
- a first rotatable member for being heated by a first heater to fix a toner image on a recording material;
 - first control means for controlling electric power supply to said first heater, said first control means effecting a phase control of the electric power supply upon start of the electric power supply;
 - a second rotatable member for being heated by a second heater to fix the toner image on the recording material;
 - second control means for controlling electric power supply to said second heater, said second control means effecting a phase control of the electric power supply upon the start of the electric power supply,
 - wherein when temperature of said first rotatable member and said second rotatable member are lower than respective target temperatures, the phase control for the second heater is started after completion of the phase control for the first heater.
7. (Previously Presented) An apparatus according to Claim 6, wherein said first and second control means effect the phase control on the basis of zero-cross timing of a commercial electric source.

8. (Previously Presented) An apparatus according to Claim 7, wherein said first control means and said second control means reduce electric power supply angles in the phase control upon the start of the electric power supply.

9. (Previously Presented) An apparatus according to Claim 6, wherein said first rotatable member and said second rotatable member form an image fixing nip.

Please ADD claims 10-15, as follows:

--10. (New) An image heating apparatus comprising:

a first heater for heating an image on a recording material;

a second heater for heating an image on a recording material; and

a controller for controlling electric power supply phases for said first heater

and said second heater,

wherein said controller controls, when said first heater and said second heater are supplied with electric power, the electric power supply phases so that period of phase control for said first heater and a period of phase control for said second heater do not overlap with each other.

11. (New) An apparatus according to claim 10, wherein said controller controls the electric power supply phase based on a zero-cross timing of commercial voltage source.

12. (New) An apparatus according to claim 10, wherein said controller effects the phase control upon start of the electric power supply.

13. (New) An image heating apparatus comprising:
a first heater for heating an image on a recording material;
a second heater for heating an image on a recording material;
a controller for controlling electric power supply phases for said first heater and said second heater,
wherein said controller controls, when said first heater and said second heater are supplied with electric power, the electric power supply phases so that electric power supply phase of phase control for said first heater and electric power supply phase of phase control for said second heater do not overlap with each other.

14. (New) An apparatus according to claim 13, wherein said controller controls the electric power supply phase based on a zero-cross timing of commercial voltage source.

15. (New) An apparatus according to claim 13, wherein said controller effects the phase control upon start of the electric power supply.--